STATE OF CALIFORNIA CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

Business Meeting Minutes

of

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The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Pfannenstiel at 10:03 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Chair Pfannenstiel.

Joseph Desmond Absent
Jackalyne Pfannenstiel Present
Arthur Rosenfeld Absent
James D. Boyd Present
John L. Geesman Present

- 1. CONSENT CALENDAR. (Items on the Consent Calendar will be taken up and voted on as a group. A Commissioner may request that an item be discussed and moved to later on the agenda).
 - a. WINESECRETS. Possible approval of Contract 500-02-009 Amendment 1, for a no-cost time extension with Winesecrets to allow more time to monitor the performance of a large stationary electrodialysis system at a major wine producer. (PIER funded)

Commissioner Geesman moved and Commissioner Boyd seconded approval of the consent calendar. The vote was unanimous. (3-0)

2. WALNUT ENERGY CENTER. Possible consideration and approval of a petition to increase the number of wells drilled and to increase the size of the drilling area to provide backup and "bridge" (interim) water supply for the facility. The bridge period is defined as the time between the start of commercial operation and either Dec. 31, 2006 or when recycled water from the City of Turlock's waste water treatment plant is available to the facility, whichever is earlier. (Docket No. 02-AFC-4C)

Commissioner Geesman moved and Commissioner Boyd seconded approval of the petition to increase the number of wells drilled and to increase the size of the drilling area for the Walnut Energy Center. The vote was unanimous. (3-0)

3. MERCEDES-BENZ USA, LLC. Possible approval of Contract 600-05-001, a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC (MBUSA), to demonstrate one or more MBUSA hydrogen fuel cell vehicles. The Department of General Services, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) and the Energy Commission will jointly sign the MOU with MBUSA. The Energy Commission will demonstrate several hydrogen fuel cell vehicles in the Sacramento area, gather data and provide new vehicle technology information to the public. This demonstration is funded and supported through the U.S. Department of Energy's "FreedomCAR" program.

This item was rescheduled to a future business meeting.

4. TRUSTEES OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITIES. Possible approval of Contract 500-98-014 Amendment 4, with Trustees of the California State Universities, to add \$8 million to the Energy Innovations Small Grant Program (EISG) agreement and to extend it by two years. This amendment also includes adding a one year gas ratepayer-funded public interest component to the EISG program. (PIER funded)

Commissioner Geesman moved and Commissioner Boyd seconded approval of Contract 500-98-014 Amendment 4, with changes to Exhibit A. The vote was unanimous. (3-0)

5. SCIENCE APPLICATON INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION (SIAC). Possible approval of Contract 500-01-007 Amendment 2, augmenting the contract by \$1,200,000 and extending it by one year to continue technical support of the on-going PIER projects. (PIER funded)

This item was rescheduled to a future business meeting.

6. Minutes

Commissioner Boyd moved and Commissioner Geesman seconded approval of the July 13, 2005 Business Meeting minutes. The vote was unanimous. (3-0)

7. Commission Committee and Oversight

Vice Chair Pfannenstiel announced that the Energy Commission is working with the California Public Utilities Commission in drafting the Energy Action Plan and expects to bring it to adoption at the end of August. Information will be posted on the CEC and CPUC websites.

8. Chief Counsel's Report

No report was given.

9. Executive Director's Report

Scott Matthews, for B. B. Blevins, introduced an award for Suzanne Korosec for her five years of volunteer service for the Commission's blood drives.

10. Legislative Director's Report

Scott Matthews announced that the Hall amendment to the federal Energy Bill was removed. The amendment threatened the recent favorable Ninth Circuit court ruling on submittal of appliance efficiency data.

1	1.	Public	Adviser's	Report

No report was given.

12. Public Comment

No comment was received.

13. ASSIGNMENT OF COMMITTEE TO THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION RULEMAKING. Consideration to participate in the California Public Utility Commission's (CPUC) OIR R.05-06-040 relative to confidentiality for electricity procurement and the approval of staff's recommendation that the Electricity Committee provide policy guidance.

No vote was taken to add item 13 onto the agenda. Item 13 will be heard at a future business meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

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Acting Secretariat to the Commission